

INFORMATION RESOURCE SHARING ISLAND STYLE

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ABSTRACT: As an island nation's only academic library, the Learning Resources Center at the College of Micronesia in the Federated States of Micronesia provides for the information needs of the students, faculty, and researchers associated with various programs hosted by the college and located on several campuses scattered on islands across thousands of miles of Western Pacific ocean waters. While its primary mission is to provide for the information needs of college, the LRC is working to extend access to information generated in the FSM and about the FSM to a wider community. To these goals, the LRC has capitalized on information technology resources by migrating to a web-based online catalog of holdings and implementing document delivery and resource sharing network. Secondly, the LRC staff is engaged in collaborative projects with government agencies and NGOs to inventory and create a "FSM Biodiversity Bibliography." A third undertaking is creation of the FSM Digital Library at <http://comfsm.fm/library/digitallibrary/> which will include content about marine species in the FSM, research activities, and copies of reports and publications. These and other related projects are allowing the LRC to network with other information centers to meet patron needs and likewise extend worldwide access to the unique information resources held in our local collections.